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SUBJECT: HORN REFUGEES

1. IN PREPARATION FOR A MEETING ON MONDAY, APRIL 3, AT WHICH FY 78 AND FY 79 RECOMMENDED FUNDING LEVELS FOR REFUGEES WILL BE DECIDED, WE URGENTLY NEED UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ON REFUGEE SITUATION IN THE HORN. WE HAVE ALREADY ASKED US MISSION IN GENEVA TO PROVIDE US WHATEVER IS AVAILABLE FROM UNHCR ON ITS PLANS AND PROGRAMS FOR THE HORN. WE UNDERSTAND THAT CUENOD WHO ACCOMPANIED THE UNHCR TEAMS IN THE HORN HAS RETURNED TO GENEVA AND WILL BE PROVIDING US WITH MUCH OF THE NEEDED INFORMATION.

2. IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ALL THE NECESSARY
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INFORMATION AT HAND, IT OCCURRED TO US THAT ACTION ADDRESSEES MIGHT GET THE LATEST READ-OUT FROM UNHCR TEAMS WHICH WE UNDERSTAND ARE STILL IN THEIR COUNTRIES. INFORMATION WE NEED INCLUDES NUMBERS, COMPOSITION AND STATE OR HEALTH OF REFUGEES, WHETHER THEY WERE ABLE TO BRING ANY POSSESSIONS ACROSS THE BORDER, WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE REFUGEES MIGHT BE REGULAR NOMADIC BORDER CROSSERS, ANY

POLICIES HOST GOVERNMENTS MIGHT HAVE ADOPTED REGARDING REFUGEES (E.G., WHETHER REFUGEES SHOULD BE PERMANENTLY RESETTLED, SENT BACK TO ORIGINAL HOMES, REMAIN INDEFINITELY IN EMERGENCY SHELTERS, ETC.). WE NEED SOME JUDGMENT AS TO PROPORTION PERSONS NEEDING ASSISTANCE ARE REFUGEES (NATIVE TO OGADEN) OR DISPLACED PERSONS (NATIVE TO SOMALIA). WE RECOGNIZE THIS IS A DIFFICULT JUDGMENT TO MAKE AND MAY APPEAR TO POST A DISTINCTION WITHOUT A DIFFERENCE BUT IT HAS RELEVANCE HERE WITH RESPECT TO THE SOURCE FOR FUNDING OF ASSISTANCE. WE RECOGNIZE THAT ABOVE MIGHT DUPLICATE SOME INFO WE EXPECT TO RECEIVE FROM GENEVA BUT WE RATHER HAVE TOO MUCH THAN TOO LITTLE.

3. WE CANNOT EMPHASIZE TOO STRONGLY THAT IN ORDER TO MAKE EFFECTIVE INPUT INTO OUR MEETING, INFORMATION WOULD HAVE TO REACH US BY MONDAY MORNING. COOPER

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